

to measure all Bill has accomplished as Sheriff and the lives he has touched in all his activities. A lot of the area bears his remarkable and gentle touch and is better for his having passed by.

Now, I have a hunch Bill and his remarkable wife Janet won't be slowing down so much as changing gears and direction in retirement. I wish them all the best in whatever they decide to do in the coming years. After all, Bill has done all we could have asked him to do, and more, for almost forty years. I hope he and Janet enjoy their retirement. They have been a great team for Park County and Wyoming and they have earned it.●

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Ms. Evans, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The nominations received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

At 3:57 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Hays, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following joint resolution, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.J. Res. 114. A joint resolution to authorize the use of the United States Armed Forces against Iraq.

At 5:34 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Hays, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House agrees to the report of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendment to the bill (H.R. 5010) making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2003, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the House agrees to the report of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendment to the Senate to the bill (H.R. 5011) making appropriations for military construction, family housing, and base realignment and closure for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2003, and for other purposes.

The message further announced that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled bills:

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

H.R. 2121. An act to make available funds under the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to

expand democracy, good governance, and anti-corruption programs in the Russian Federation in order to promote and strengthen democratic government and civil society and independent media in that country.

H.R. 4085. An act to increase, effective as of December 1, 2002, the rates of compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and the rates of dependency and indemnity compensation for the survivors of certain disabled veterans.

The enrolled bills were signed subsequently by the President pro tempore (Mr. BYRD.)

At 8:42 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following joint resolution, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.J. Res. 122. A joint resolution making further appropriations for the fiscal year 2003, and for other purposes.

At 11:05 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolution, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate.

H. Con. Res. 508. Concurrent resolution resolving all disagreements between the House of Representatives and Senate with respect to H.R. 3295.

The message also announced that the House agrees to the report of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendment to the Senate to the text to the bill (H.R. 3295) to establish a program to provide funds to States to replace punch card voting systems, to establish the Election Assistance Commission to assist in the administration of Federal elections and to otherwise provide assistance with the administration of certain Federal election laws and programs, to establish minimum election administration standards for States and units of local government with responsibility for the administration of Federal elections and for other purposes.

The House insists on its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate to the title to the aforesaid bill.

MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bill was read the second time, and placed on the calendar:

H.R. 5427. An act to designate the Federal building located at Fifth and Richardson Avenues in Roswell, New Mexico, as the "Joe Skeen Federal Building".

MEASURES READ THE FIRST TIME

The following bill was read the first time:

H.R. 4968. An act to provide for the exchange of certain lands in Utah.

S. 3099. A bill to provide emergency disaster assistance to agricultural producers.

S. 3100. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to limit the misuse of social security numbers, to establish criminal pen-

alties for such misuse, and for other purposes.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, which were referred as indicated:

EC-9285. A communication from the Deputy Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the reimbursements to countries for support of U.S. military operations in connection with the global war on terrorism; to the Committee on Appropriations.

EC-9286. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense, Comptroller, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a violation of the Antideficiency Act case number 00-07; to the Committee on Appropriations.

EC-9287. A communication from the Director, Office of Hearings and Appeals, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Special Rules Applicable to Surface Coal Mining Hearings and Appeals" (RIN1090-AA82) received on October 2, 2002; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-9288. A communication from the Deputy Congressional Liaison, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Regulation Z (Truth in Lending)" received on October 3, 2002; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-9289. A communication from the Secretary of Labor, transmitting, a draft of proposed legislation entitled "Black Lung Consolidation of Administrative Responsibilities Act"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-9290. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Regulatory Law, Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Priorities for Outpatient Medical Services and Inpatient Hospital Care" (RIN2900-AL39) received on October 2, 2002; to the Committee on Veterans Affairs.

EC-9291. A communication from the Director of Regulations and Forms Services Division, Immigration and Naturalization, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Delegating the Secretary of Labor the Authority to Adjudicate Certain Temporary Agricultural Worker (H-2A) Petitions" (RIN1115-AF29) received on October 2, 2002; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-9292. A communication from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting, the report of a retirement; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-9293. A communication from the Director of Defense Procurement, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Overseas Use of the Purchase Card in Contingency, Humanitarian, or Peacekeeping Operations" (DFARS Case 2000-D019) received on October 2, 2002; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-9294. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense, Acquisition, Technology and Logistics, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on Fiscal Year 2001 funds obligated in support of the procurement of a vaccine for biological agent Anthrax; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-9295. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary of State, Legislative Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Affirmative Action Employment Program Accomplishment Report for the period of October 1, 2000 through October 1, 2001; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.